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Cc: Zito, Kelly[ZITO.KELLY@EPA.GOV]
From: Glenn, William
Sent: Fri 9/14/2018 4:44:27 AM
Subject: Re: SF Chronicle query re HPNS

Thanks, Michele! I was at an extended family dinner and just saw your note. Also saw the story:
<https://www.sfchronicle.com/bayarea/article/Radioactive-object-found-near-homes-at-Hunters-13228476.php>

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On Sep 13, 2018, at 8:25 PM, Huitric, Michele <Huitric.Michele@epa.gov> wrote:

Great! I'll send now. Thanks!

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 13, 2018, at 8:24 PM, Zito, Kelly <ZITO.KELLY@EPA.GOV> wrote:

Yes - sorry, was getting Tessa to bed!

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 13, 2018, at 7:21 PM, Huitric, Michele <Huitric.Michele@epa.gov> wrote:

This query came in this evening. Wanted to confirm that I should go ahead and send the statement with the John Lyons edit (and the "site" and black text edit from Bill)?

The Navy is the lead agency on the cleanup at the Hunters Point Naval Shipyard Superfund site and the California Department of Public Health is the lead agency for radiation scanning on Parcel A at The Shipyard development. EPA, along with its state regulatory agency partners, oversees and enforces Navy compliance with the Superfund law and other requirements to ensure the cleanup process – including Parcel A scanning – protects human health and the environment. During the Parcel A scanning process, CDPH discovered one Navy-related object, a deck marker (1.5 inches in diameter), that contains radiological material. EPA oversaw the immediate removal of the object. Due to its location and level of radiation, the object was not causing harm to residents or workers. The cleanup process for HPNS requires Navy-related radiological material be cleaned up upon discovery (as opposed to other types of radiological material, such as naturally occurring radiation in granite).

EPA is working with the Navy to determine if and how the site cleanup needs to be adjusted. EPA supports completing scanning at Parcel A on a faster timeline than originally planned and making the scanning process more thorough at the Hunters Point site.

EPA remains committed to ensuring that the Bayview-Hunters Point community is protected from exposure to radiation and that the Hunters Point Naval Shipyard Superfund site can be safely used for work, recreation, and residential purposes.

From: Dizikes, Cynthia [<mailto:CDizikes@sfchronicle.com>]

Sent: Thursday, September 13, 2018 5:45 PM

To: Huitric, Michele <Huitric.Michele@epa.gov>

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Subject: Parcel A find

Hi Michele,

Apologies for the late email, but we have just jumped on a breaking shipyard-related story about the discovery of a radium deck marker in the Parcel A rescanning.

Hoping to get a comment from you in light of previous assurances the agency has made about the this part of the shipyard being free of contamination.

In light of this find, does the agency think that Parcel A should be re-checked more thoroughly? If not, why not? Should residents be concerned that this object was nearby and never flagged before? If not, why not?

We are on deadline, this story is scheduled to run in the paper tomorrow.

Thanks,

Cynthia and Jason